4. Due to restructuring of the Department and creation of additional posts, the promotional avenues of the personnel, have been increased substantially which would boost their moral and consequently enhance the integrity factor among them.

Refixing of borrowing ceiling of Kerala

1378. SHRI A. VIJAY RAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the annual Plan of Kerala had been fixed for the period 2006-07;

(b) if so, whether the State Government of Kerala has represented during March, 2006 for refixing the borrowing ceiling so as to approach various agencies for financing the above plan;.

(c) if so, the details of decision taken in this regard;

(d) whether there is any delay in taking the decision; and

(e) if so, Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) Yes, Sir:

(b) to (e) State Government represented to Government of India for enhancement of the net borrowing ceiling of Rs. 4672 crore for the year 2006-07 fixed by Gol in line with the recommendations of the Twelfth Finance Commission and in line with the fiscal correction path drawn up by the State Government. The request of the State Government was considered and the borrowing ceiling was revised to Rs. 6834 crore after the State Government had agreed to bear the cost of foregoing debt waiver benefit eligible under the Debt Relief and Consolidation Facility. There was no delay in taking the decision at the Government of India level. .

Reforms in IMF

1379. SHRIMATI N. P. DURGA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the first phase of reforms in the IMF have begun recently;